

## 2003 HIPAA Implementation Timeline for RI Medical Assistance Billing

May	June	July/August	September/October
TPA Available on WEB Companion Guides Available	Informational Mailing TPA Mailing Selected PES Testing Non-PES Testing	Provider Specific Mailings WEB Interface Instructions PES Delivery Provider Educational Seminars	Phased Implementation by Provider Type Enhanced transactions available through the DHS web site

The Rhode Island Medical Assistance Program is prepared to test with your Vendor or Clearinghouse now. A Trading Partner Agreement (TPA) is required for billing electronically through your vendor, clearinghouse or with Provider Electronic Solutions (PES). A TPA was sent to you with the June informational mailing. If you did not receive a TPA, you can obtain one at the RI Department of Human Services Web site – <http://www.dhs.ri.gov/dhs/hipaa/hEDI.htm> or by calling the Customer Service Help Desk at EDS – (401) 784-8100, or in state toll free at (800) 964-6211.

RI Medicaid Companion Guides are intended for business and technical areas responsible for the testing and set up of electronic submissions to EDS. The guides are specific to the exchange of electronic claims (837), remittances (835), unsolicited claim response (277) and the functional acknowledgement (997) and are to be used in conjunction with the National Electronic Data Interchange Transaction Set Implementation Guides for supplemental information specific to RI Medical Assistance.

Providers that are utilizing PES to submit and receive HIPAA electronic transactions will not require the information provided in the RI Medicaid Companion Guides.

### Training Workshops

The Rhode Island Department of Human Services, in conjunction with Blue Cross Blue Shield Medicare, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS), and EDS, are hosting several HIPAA awareness training sessions to prepare for implementation on October 16, 2003. Training will include information on the following:

- Transaction testing
- PES usage & Availability
- “Local Code” usage and extension to December 31, 2003
- Companion Guides
- Implementation timelines

July 23, 2003 – 8:00 – 5:00 – (2 sessions) Provider HIPAA Training – Crowne Plaza Hotel, Warwick: More information to follow on your DHS/EDS Remittance Advices and additional communication from BC/BS. We will also post details on the DHS Web site HIPAA page, or, you may call the EDS Customer Service help Desk at the telephone numbers listed above.

July 25, 2003 – 9:00 – 12:00 – Nursing Home/Group Home Providers – CCRI Warwick – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Presentation Room: RSVP to EDS, Jean-Philippe Moceto at 401-784-3861

July 25, 2003 – 1:00 – 4:00 – General Health Care Providers – CCRI Warwick, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Presentation Room: RSVP to EDS, Jean-Philippe Moceto at 401-784-3861

August 8, 2003 – 9:00 – 12:00 – Nursing Home/Group Home Providers – CCRI Warwick – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Presentation Room: RSVP to EDS, Jean-Philippe Moceto at 401-784-3861

August 8, 2003 – 1:00 – 4:00 – General Health Care Providers – CCRI Warwick – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Presentation Room: RSVP to EDS, Jean-Philippe Moceto at 401-784-3861

August 22, 2003 – 9:00 – 12:00 – General Health Care Providers – CCRI Warwick – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Presentation Room: RSVP to EDS, Jean-Philippe Moceto at 401-784-3861

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